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OUR AGENTS.

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An exchange truthfully observes that quitting advertising in dull times is like tearing out a dam because the water is low.

The latest returns from Alabama indicate that that state has surely gone democratic; but by what majority was not stated.

GENERAL EZETA, the president of San Salvador, is the youngest ruler of a republic in the world. He is only twenty-seven years of age.

The first wooden mill in Japan, supplied with an English-made plant, has just been formally opened at Tokio. Japan is centuries ahead of China.

PROF. ALEX HOGG, superintendent of the public schools of Fort Worth, has decided to enter the contest for state superintendent of public instruction.

The Houston Herald favors the Lodge election bill, because, it says, it will solidify the white vote of the South. A rather poor excuse, it would seem.

HON. JOE ARBOTH has been honored with a re-nomination to congress from the Dallas district. In returning him the convention fitly recognizes faithful service.

HENRY WATKINSON says that Reed and Lodge are a pair of as "sleek, snug and fat hypocrites and rascals as ever cut a throat, or scuttled a ship or burst a belly band."

The new city direction of Houston shows a population of 48,972, or about 20,000 more than the United States census. But, then, Uncle Sam is not engaged in booming towns.

Dr. Hon. Gustave Cook is anywhere to be found in Texas, or if this should meet the eyes of any of his friends, they will hear something to his interest by applying to this office.

JOHN PETER SMITH has been elected mayor of Fort Worth. In addition to his many excellent qualifications for the office he is said to be proof against the wiles of telephone girls.

T. V. POWDERLY, master workman of the Knights of Labor, is stump-ping Pennsylvania in behalf of the democratic state ticket. It is beginning to look more squally all the time for Boss Quay.

The Matthew Stanley Quay club of Philadelphia, composed entirely of colored men, held a largely attended meeting and unanimously passed resolutions disapproving the federal election bill pending before the senate.

The Chicago Tribune, a staunch republican paper, insists that the McKinley tariff bill be changed in accordance with Mr. Blaine's suggestions, and says that nothing else can save the republican party from disastrous defeat.

The department of state at Washington cabled to the American legation at St. Petersburg asking if the rumored wholesale expulsion of the Jews from Russia was true, and has been informed that there is no foundation for the report.

BRECKENRIDGE, of Arkansas, has been bounced from his seat in congress by the republican conspirators. Breckenridge will be on hand, however, in the next congress to help bounce some of the republicans. He has been re-nominated by the democracy of his district.

The New Birmingham Times says it will support Hogg for governor after he is nominated, but that it will continue to oppose the railway commission "from Alpha to Omega, from Cape Cod to Kalamazoo, and from h—ll to breakfast."

JAS. P. NEWCOMB, one of the most prominent republicans in the state, says that he is decidedly opposed to the Lodge election bill. Newcomb has raised himself greatly in the estimation of the decent people of Texas by his independent declaration.

The republicans seem to be more active than usual this year in putting out tickets in different Southern States and localities. They have no idea of electing their tickets but simply put them out in order to keep a count of noses and to keep themselves identified when the loaves and fishes by the federal government are doled out.

The Austin Statesman is unhappy again. An injunction has been applied for to restrain the city from issuing bonds to dam the Colorado. The Statesman can now turn its attention from damming the river to damming the petitioners for the injunction.

SAVERS' renomination for congress from the Tenth district was a foregone conclusion many months ago. He is a man as true as steel and as faithful, as honest and as incorruptible as any man in congress, and is respected by republicans as well as by democrats.

The Philadelphia Times says: "The Reed organs of the country are discouraging the farmers' movement in politics. They think his only movement should be behind the plough, and to keep moving lively, so that the installments of interest on his mortgages may be paid promptly."

SOME of the republican organs that are opposed to Secretary Blaine are trying to be facetious by saying he did not add the postscript "burn this letter" in his open epistles to Frye on the tariff. It would be a great deal better off for the g. o. p. if the letters had been burned before they were published. They will make fine campaign thunder for the democrats.

The St. Paul Pioneer Press, a republican paper, sounds a note of warning as follows: "It will be well for the senate to handle the McKinley bill with exceeding care. It represents neither the past policy nor the present sentiment of the republican party, and its enactment would be about the worst possible preparation for the approaching elections."

Gov. Ross has given his decision to the effect that the San Antonio Rides must be disbanded for insubordination and disobedience of orders in not going into camp at the late encampment. The whole record of this company has been unsoldierly and they deserve no sympathy. They are the company which kicked against the decision of the judges at the Austin drill.

FRED DOUGLASS, the colored minister from the United States to Hayti, is back home on a visit on special leave. He appears to be considerably puffed up over his present position, and remarked to a friend that it was a disgrace to the American government and humiliating to him personally as well as diplomatically that he should be compelled to make an official voyage in a common passenger ship—and a Dutch one at that.

PITTSBURGH POST: In calling upon Knights of Labor to oppose the force bill, Powderly is reiterating sound constitutional principles—that the federal government has no right to interfere with the inherent privileges of states to manage their own affairs. This is the faith of the democratic party and of the workmen. Powderly is to be commended for his manly denunciation of the iniquitous clauses of a manifestly unjust measure.

NEW YORK STAR: Evidences that Ohio republicanism is in a very bad way are continually coming up. The convention in the Tenth congressional district had a lively fight that lasted several days, 532 ballots being taken without a nomination. Then the convention adjourned, and for a compromise candidate they fixed upon the notorious J. Warren Keifer, whose unsavory record as speaker of the national house of representatives has not been forgotten by the country. Ohio republicans must be getting low down when they talk of resurrecting Keifer.

Just why the supporters of Candidate Hogg are worrying over the two-third rule is one of the mysteries that can only be explained by the theory that they don't know when they have got enough. They would feed to a surfeit and then lie down in the trough.—Houston Post.

It is easy enough explained. Mr. Hogg's friends never fully realized the iniquities of the two-thirds rule and what a fraud it was until the conspiracy to defeat the will of the people on the anything-to-beat-Hogg racket was exposed.

The New Orleans Times-Democrat publishes a cartoon representing Gov. Nicholls sitting on a pile of Louisiana Lottery silver bags writing his veto of the measure looking to an extension of the lottery company's charter. On the editorial page the T. D. says: "It is a most remarkable fact that Francis Tillon Nicholls never could have been governor of the state of Louisiana but for the lottery company."

This is a humiliating statement, indeed, for that paper to make. If the lottery company has the power to control the election of governors the Times-Democrat should align itself against the lottery ring and fight it to the bitter end. On the contrary it poses as an ardent champion of the lottery company.

POLITICS IN TENNESSEE.

Some people may think that there is nothing in a name, but in Tennessee it appears to be different; especially in the matter of dealing out political offices and official perquisites. The Memphis Avalanche contains an editorial on "Family Names in Politics," from a perusal of which it would appear that a person who is born a member of the Clan Taylor, Clan Baxter, or Clan Hawkins, is born under a lucky star and his political fortune is assured, whether he be a democrat, republican, prohibitionist, or of whatever political party. The great wonder is that people in Tennessee are enabled to vote intelligently for the man of their political choice, owing to the identity or similarity of patronymics. In fact the Avalanche says that the similarity of names of the candidates has led to some curious mistakes. For instance, four years ago Bob Taylor (the present incumbent) was the democratic candidate for governor, while his brother Alf was the republican candidate, and their father, Old Man Taylor, led the prohibition phalanx. There is no wonder that there should be some confusion when all the candidates were of the same name. But this doesn't exhaust the list of Taylors. Bob Taylor was given a second term and John M. Taylor was a candidate for congress. He is no kin to the governor, but of the same political faith. Before the late gubernatorial convention John M. Taylor and Jere Baxter were candidates but both had to give way before Buchanan. The republican state convention met a few days later and nominated Lewis T. Baxter for governor. He is not related in anyway to Jere Baxter, late democratic candidate, but like the Taylor family, their names are liable to get confused among the people when it comes to voting. There is another name which figures in politics in Tennessee that causes confusion. It is the name of Hawkins. Hon. Sam W. Hawkins, present United States attorney for the Memphis district, is a prominent republican who opposed "Bob" Taylor two years ago. His cousin, Alvin G. Hawkins, was a gubernatorial candidate in 1880 and was elected on account of the democracy being divided on the debt-paying question. The Taylors, Baxters and Hawkins would seem to have a pretty strong "pull" on the state. And as they generally do get there with both feet, whatever may be the complexion of their politics, it must be that after all there is something in a name. In recent years John M. Taylor, democrat, has represented the Eighth Tennessee district in congress, Alf Taylor, republican, the First district, and Zach Taylor the Tenth district. The three are not related, either.

KEMMLER, the New York wife murderer, was executed at Auburn Wednesday by electricity. It was the first case on record of death by this mode as legal punishment for crime, and will undoubtedly be the last. The execution was a bungling and sickening affair. After being pronounced dead he showed signs of returning life and the battery was again turned on and applied until the flesh burned and emitted a sickening odor.

THURSDAY'S Galveston News published over a page of stuff which it pretended was a refutation of the charge that it had been bribed by the railroads to oppose the railway commission amendment and to advocate railroad interests. The NEWS has never accused the News of being bribed and does not do so now. But we must say its alleged refutation of the charges is awfully weak. The News claims that its refutation of the charges is in vindication of reputable journalism as much as to clear its own skirts.

WHEN the question of free grass and the lease system was being agitated a few years back the Fort Worth Gazette was a rampant advocate of free grass. The democratic party sat down on the free grassers and inserted a lease plank in the state platform. Some of the anti-railway commissionists are now kicking against the adoption of a commission plank at the approaching convention, claiming that a person's views on the question are no test of democracy. The Gazette calls to mind the lease plank and insists on the commission plank going in.

HOAN, the sainted old grand dame from Massachusetts, has got so that he can out-herod old Bill Chandler in his hatred of the South and in the display of extreme partisanship. He says that he would prefer to see every manufacturing establishment in Massachusetts burned to ashes and the people of the state compelled to work for fifty cents a day, rather than that this congress should fail to pass the federal election bill.

THERE is a fresh report that Mr. Blaine is to resign from the president's cabinet, but a different reason is given this time. It is not owing to his failure to get along agreeably with Gro. Bryan, but in order that he may be elected to the United States senate to show Tom Reed that he doesn't own the state of Maine.

Proclamation of the Governor of the State of Texas.

WHEREAS, on the 8th day of April, A. D. 1890, the following Joint Resolution passed by the Twenty-first Legislature was approved, by the terms of which the Executive is required to issue his proclamation submitting the same to the vote of the qualified electors of the State at the next general election for State and county officers:

Joint Resolution to Amend Section 9, Article 8, of the Constitution of the State of Texas.

SECTION 1. Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas: That section 9, article 8, of the constitution of the State of Texas, be so amended as to hereafter read as follows: ARTICLE 8, Section 9. The state tax on property, exclusive of the tax necessary to pay the public debt and of the taxes provided for the benefit of public free schools, shall never exceed thirty-five cents on the one hundred dollars valuation; and no county, city, or town shall levy more than twenty-five cents for city or county purposes, and not exceed fifteen cents for roads and bridges on the one hundred dollars valuation, except for payment of debts incurred prior to the adoption of the amendment, September 25, A. D. 1889; and for the erection of public buildings, streets, sewers, waterworks, and other permanent improvements, not to exceed twenty-five cents on the one hundred dollars valuation in any one year, and except as in this Constitution otherwise provided; and the Legislature may also authorize an additional annual ad valorem tax to be levied and collected for the further maintenance of the public roads. Provided, That a majority of the qualified property tax paying voters of the county, voting at an election to be held for that purpose, shall vote such tax, not to exceed fifteen cents on the one hundred dollars valuation of the property subject to taxation in such county. And the Legislature may pass local laws for the maintenance of public roads and highways without the local notice required for special or local laws.

SECTION 2. That the Governor of Texas be and he is hereby required to submit the foregoing resolution to a vote of the qualified electors of this state at the next general election.

SECTION 3. That those voting for the amendment shall have written or printed on their ballot "For Amendment to Section 9, Article 8 of the Constitution," and those voting against the amendment shall have written or printed on their ballot "Against Amendment to Section 9, Article 8 of the Constitution."

Approved April 8, 1890.
AND WHEREAS, on the 8th day of April, the following Joint Resolution passed by the Twenty-first Legislature was approved, by the terms of which the Executive is required to issue his proclamation submitting the same to the vote of the qualified electors of the State at the next general election for State and county officers:

Joint Resolution Amending Article 10, Section 2, of the Constitution of the State of Texas.

SECTION 1. Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas: That Section 2, Article 10, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, be amended so as to read as follows:

ARTICLE 2. Railroads heretofore constructed in the State are hereby declared public highways and railroad companies common carriers. The Legislature shall pass laws to regulate railroad freight and passenger tariffs, to correct abuses, and prevent unjust discrimination and extortion in the rates of freight and passenger tariffs on the different railroads in this State, and enforce the same by adequate penalties; and to the further accomplishment of these objects and purposes may provide and establish all requisite means and agencies invested with such powers as may be deemed adequate and advisable.

SECTION 2. The foregoing constitutional amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors for members of the Legislature of the State of Texas at the next general election for state and county officers, at which election all voters favoring said proposed amendment shall write or have printed on their ballots the words, "For the amendment to Article 10, Section 2, of the Constitution, relating to railroads;" and all voters opposed to said amendment shall write or have printed on their ballots the words, "Against the amendment to Article 20, Section 2, of the Constitution, relating to railroads." Provided, That the said article and section of the Constitution may be indicated on said ballots either by words, numerals or figures. The Governor of the state is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for said election, and have the same published as required by the Constitution and existing laws of the state.

Approved April 8, 1890.
Now, therefore, I, L. S. Ross, Governor of Texas, in accordance with the provisions of said Joint Resolutions, and by the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of this state, do hereby issue this my proclamation ordering an election to be held on

Tuesday, the 4th day of November, 1890, in the several counties of this state for the adoption or rejection of said proposed amendments to the constitution.

Said election shall be held at the several polling places of the election precincts of the several counties of this state, and will be conducted by the officers holding the same and returns made in conformity with the laws of this state and in accordance with the provisions of this proclamation.

In Testimony Whereof, I hereto sign [L. S.] my name and cause the seal of State to be affixed at the City of Austin, this 16th day of July, A. D. 1890.

L. S. Ross,
Governor of Texas.

By the Governor:
J. M. McCRE,
Secretary of State.

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